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Fri, May 15, 2015 at 11:23 AM

Delta Minerals

To: David Peterson < davidpeterson 800@yahoo.com>

Cc: Joelle McCarthy <jmccarth@blm.gov>

Hi David,

FYI, the Division wouldn't mind if you were to bury the concrete blocks (assuming they don't have any value). The BLM told me last fall it wouldn't be a problem. Just so you know that it's an option...

It would be a good idea to let Russ know what the Division's reclamation requirements are. The main things to remember for this site that I'm seeing are that:

1) Cuts and small pits should be backfilled/recontoured,

2) Pad or dump slopes should be graded to shallower than the natural angle-of-repose (the angle at which the material naturally stands when dumped). Graded slopes and flat surfaces can be left rough to promote revegetation and minimize erosion (i.e. a fine grading isn't needed).

3) Ideally, fines are used to cover rock when there isn't much natural soil.

4) Exposed bedrock (if any) should be similar to existing outcrops (and not any higher). It should be stable (no loose rock), and not present a safety hazard beyond that of natural outcrops. Anything higher than natural outcrops would need to have material backfilled against it to reduce the height.

You'd have to ask the BLM about whether or not it is OK to leave the stockpiles. We normally require that they be graded out and seeded (or buried if it's large rock).

It looks like the native rabbitbrush does well there over time, so that will help revegetation (over time).

Yea, the rain has been good for some of the sites I've been visiting lately. Let's hope that it continues.

Peter

On Fri, May 15, 2015 at 9:41 AM, David Peterson <davidpeterson800@yahoo.com> wrote: Hi Peter,

I have Russ Feller scheduled for 5/28 and 5/29. They'll bring their earth moving equipment on site and reclaim the 5 acres.

I have G&S Cranes coming out on site next week to remove the crane. I'm working on getting crews lined up for the dis-assembly of the silo and stands, as well as the other metal and materials on site.

I'm working on getting trucks lined up to take the concrete blocks away, and I've contacted a scrap metal dealer who has agreed to go on-site and pick it up.

All I need now is to figure out how to get native seed to scatter once the earth work is finished. The surrounding vegetation is quite sparse and the "growth medium" was sparse as well before we started. We've piled up what was available, but it was mostly exposed rock when we started mining. That's why we chose that spot.

Is there anything else you can think of that I might be missing?

Best regards,

David Peterson (801) 709-3356

From: Peter Brinton <peterbrinton@utah.gov>

To: David Peterson <davidpeterson800@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2015 12:29 PM

Subject: Re: Delta Minerals

Hi David, Good to hear. Thanks for keeping me in the loop. Please let me know when you have set plans. Thanks.

Peter

On Tue, May 12, 2015 at 2:14 PM, David Peterson davidpeterson800@yahoo.com wrote:

Hi Peter.

I apologize for the delay in responding to you. I was finally was able to secure a new job to support my family and have been working long hours as I get up to speed.

Yes, I am actively working on it. I've contacted Russ Fellerstone for bids on reclaim work and also Rich Hansen at Goodfellow crushers. They have both been working on bids. I expect Russ to have a firm bid to me in the next day or so.

I hadn't heard back from Goodfellow, so I called them yesterday - only to find out that Rich is no longer with the company as of this week...so now I'm working with a new guy, Bryce Childs. I've made both Fellerstone and Goodfellow well aware of the deadline and they both have assured me that it's possible.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. Thanks for your help.

Best regards,

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From: Peter Brinton <peterbrinton@utah.gov>

To: David Peterson <davidpeterson800@yahoo.com>

Cc: Paul Baker <paulbaker@utah.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2015 3:33 PM

Subject: Re: Delta Minerals

Hi David, I thought I'd follow-up to see where you are on your reclamation plans by the end of May. We will be sending you a letter soon to formally extend the date of the

reclamation deadline.

Peter

On Mon, Dec 15, 2014 at 3:25 PM, David Peterson davidpeterson800@yahoo.com wrote:

Mr. Brinton.

I have several more emails of a similar nature. I can send them to you if desired.

The timing of the 2008-2009 financial crisis that hit the USA also hit me and I lost my job. As you can see, I have made attempts in the past to reclaim the site and sell the equipment, but was stymied by a lack of money (stemming from the substantial losses suffered from the mining company). I believe that I am finally in a position to get it done.

From this point on, I propose that I finish the reclamation work by 31 MAY 2015. This date would allow me the time to get the equipment sold and removed, the space regraded to spec, and the area seeded. the late spring/early summer rains should provide ample time for the native switch grass to grow, along with other native vegetation.

I look forward to any feedback.

Best regards,

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